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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

- 1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:
  - (e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.
- 2. Claims **1 and 2** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being clearly anticipated by **Ogawa et al**, Publication number US2002/0199177A1, (hereinafter referred to as **Ogawa**).

As per Claim 1, **Ogawa** discloses a method for improving execution performance in a sequence of instructions that provide a function and having external access points that are external entry and external exit points, which include the steps of:

"...determining at least one instruction, from the sequence of instructions that is necessary to be executed for less than all repetitions of the sequence of instructions; and..." (E.g., see "Page 2, Paragraph [0017], lines 1-7);

"modifying the sequence of instructions to isolate the one instruction from only some of the repetitions of the sequence of instructions." (E.g., see FIG. 2 & Page 2, Paragraph [0017], lines 7-15). **Ogawa** teaches the concept of branching around non-executable instructions not satisfying the conditional execution label or labels, thereby

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isolating the one or more instructions from only the repetitions of which they do not apply.

As per Claim 2, Ogawa also discloses "...wherein said modifying includes the step of inserting at least one internal access point within the sequence of instructions and thereby partitioning the sequence of instructions into multiple segments having one of the multiple segments including the one instruction and executing for fewer times than the number of executions of another of the multiple segments." (E.g., see FIG. 7 & Page 5, paragraph [0084], lines 1-7). Ogawa discloses inserting an internal label or access point, which is entered from a branch instruction, inserted by the "branch instruction insertion unit". Thus, thereby partitioning the sequence of instructions into multiple segments having one of the multiple segments having the one instruction executing for fewer times than the number of executions of another of the multiple segments.

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
  - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 4. Claim **3** is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over **Ogawa**.

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5. As per claim 3, Ogawa teaches the method of claim 2 as described above.

Furthermore Ogawa teaches "...instructing to branch to a cycle at a top of the loop." By branching to the beginning of the loop the step is interpreted as a recursive entry point.

(E.g., see Page 2, Paragraph [0020], lines 1-12]). However, Ogawa does not explicitly disclose "...wherein said inserting step inserts the one internal access point as an internal recursive entry point."

As obvious over **Ogawa**, a person of ordinary skill in the art would have been able, at the time of the invention, to determine to include an access label after further non-executable instructions. Rather, than to have an inserted an additional branch over non-executable instructions immediately following the external entry point of the loop. In essence this involves simply moving the label to a position up or down the loop as programmers skilled in the art do on a regular basis. Thus, it would have been obvious in view of **Ogawa** to insert an internal access point as an internal recursive entry point. The motivation for doing so would have been to reduce execution instructions, which is the purpose of **Ogawa's** teachings.

- 6. Claims **5**, **4**, **6**, **7**, **8**, **15**, **16** and **17** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Ogawa** as applied above, and further in view of **Subramanian**, Patent number 6,026,240, (hereinafter **Subramanian**).
- 7. Claim **5** is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Ogawa** as applied to claim **2** above, and further in view of **Subramanian**. **Ogawa** discloses the method of claim **2** as disclosed above. But **Ogawa** does not expressly disclose "... the

step of moving the one instruction from outside of the one of the multiple segments to within the one of the multiple segments and between one of the external access points and the internal access point." However, Subramanian discloses an internal access point (E.g., See Fig. 5a & Col. 11, lines 4-16), where the "prologue" is the external access point and the "kernel" is the internal access point. Furthermore, Subramanian discloses, "...moving the one instruction from outside of the one of the multiple segments to within the one of the multiple segments..." (E.g., See Fig. 5b, 509 & Col. 11, lines 28-34). Where the "loop-invariant operations" are contained in the prologue, which is between the external access point and the internal access point. Ogawa and Subramanian are analogous art because they are both concerned with the same field of endeavor of optimizing programs including loops. Therefore, at the time the invention was made it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's "omega-invariant optimizer". The motivation would be to optimize execution speed and thus improve efficiency.

8. Claim 4 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ogawa as applied to claim 3 above, and further in view of Subramanian as applied to claim 5 above. Ogawa does not expressly disclose "... and the internal recursive access point.".

However, Subramanian also discloses "... and the internal recursive access point."

Where the "loop-invariant operations" are contained in the prologue, (E.g., See Fig. 5b & Col. 11, lines 9-13), which is between the external access point and the internal access point. Furthermore each "kernel" can be an iterative process, (E.g., See Fig. 5b & Col. 11, lines 13-21), which calls itself and therefore is an internal recursive access

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point. **Ogawa** and **Subramanian** are analogous art because they are both concerned with the same field of endeavor of optimizing programs including loops. Therefore, at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify **Ogawa's** compiler with **Subramanian's** "omega-invariant optimizer". The motivation would be to optimize execution speed and thus improve efficiency.

9. Claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ogawa as applied to claim 1 above, and further in view of Subramanian. Ogawa discloses the method of claim 1 as disclosed above. But Ogawa does not expressly disclose, "...said modifying includes the step of rescheduling the one instruction closer in sequence of execution to one of the external access points.". However, Subramanian discloses, "...said modifying includes the step of rescheduling the one instruction closer in sequence of execution to one of the external access points." (E.g., See Fig. 5b & Col. 11, lines 29-42), where the hoisted loop-invariant instructions are executed in the prologue. It is noted that the prologue is the entry point from the external access, thereby, re-arranging or rescheduling the one instruction closer in sequence of execution to one of the external access points.

Ogawa and Subramanian are analogous art because they are both concerned with the same field of endeavor of optimizing programs including loops. Therefore, at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's "omega-invariant"

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optimizer". The motivation would be to optimize execution speed and thus improve efficiency.

10. In regard to claim **7**, **Ogawa** discloses the method of claim **1** as disclosed above. But **Ogawa** does not expressly disclose "A computer readable storage media having computer readable code physically implementing a method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions…". However, **Subramanian** discloses the above limitation (E.g., See Fig. 1 & Col. 8, lines 33-42), where the embodiment of the invention is a method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions, (E.g., See Col. 4, lines 48-57).

Ogawa and Subramanian are analogous art because they are both form the same field of endeavor of optimizing programs including loops. Therefore, at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's teachings of a "computer readable storage media", thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Thus, it would have been obvious to combine Subramanian's method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions with Ogawa's Compiler Program.

11. In regard to claim **8**, **Ogawa** discloses the method of claim **2** as disclosed above. But **Ogawa** does not expressly disclose "A computer readable storage media having computer readable code physically implementing a method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions...". However, **Subramanian** discloses the above limitation (E.g., See Fig. 1 & Col. 8, lines 33-42), as stated above, where the

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embodiment of the invention is a method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions, (E.g., See Col. 4, lines 48-57).

Ogawa and Subramanian are analogous art because they are both concerned with the same field of endeavor of optimizing programs including loops. Therefore, at the time of the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's teachings of a "computer readable storage media", thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Thus, it would have been obvious to combine Subramanian's method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions with Ogawa's Compiler Program.

12. In regard to Claim **15**, it is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Ogawa** as applied to claim **3** above, and further in view of **Subramanian**. **Ogawa** discloses the method of claim **15** which includes, "A method of machine executing a called program of a repeated sequence of instructions having at least one instruction that is necessary to be executed for less than all repetitions of the program comprising:

controlling at least one of said steps of executing with an internal access point other than the entry point and the exit point to isolate the one instruction within the sequence of instructions from as least one of said repeatedly calling and to execute the one instruction a number of times fewer than the total number of executions of the entire sequence of instructions." (E.g., see FIG. 2 & Page 2, Paragraph [0017], lines 1-15).

Ogawa teaches the concept of branching around non-executable instructions not satisfying the conditional execution label or labels, thereby isolating the one or more instructions from only the repetitions of which they do not apply.

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But **Ogawa** does not expressly disclose, "... executing at least some of the sequence of instructions from an externally called entry point in the program initially;". However, **Subramanian** discloses, "... executing at least some of the sequence of instructions from an externally called entry point in the program initially;" (E.g., See Fig. 5a & Col. 11, lines 4-16), where the "prologue" is the external entry point and the "kernel" is the internal access point. Furthermore, **Subramanian** discloses "...in response to repeatedly calling, executing only some of the sequence of instructions..." (E.g., See Fig. 5b, 509 & Col. 11, lines 28-42). Where the "loop-invariant operations" are contained in the prologue, which is between the external access point and the internal access point.

Ogawa and Subramanian are analogous art because they are both form the same field of endeavor of optimizing programs including loops. Therefore, at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's "omega-invariant optimizer". The motivation would be to optimize execution speed and thus improve efficiency.

13. In regard to claim **16**, **Ogawa** discloses the method of claim **3** as disclosed above. But **Ogawa** does not expressly disclose, "...said first-mentioned executing, includes executing the one instruction...". However, **Subramanian** discloses, "...said first-mentioned executing, includes executing the one instruction..." (E.g., See Fig. 5b & Col. 11, lines 29-42), as stated above, where the hoisted loop-invariant instructions are executed upon first execution, which is the prologue execution. Furthermore, **Ogawa** does not expressly disclose, "...said second-mentioned executing recursively starts

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form the internal recursive entry point.". However, **Subramanian** discloses, "...said second-mentioned executing recursively starts form the internal recursive entry point. (E.g., See Fig. 5a & Col. 11, lines 4-16), where the kernel is the internal recursive entry point upon which second execution starts. Furthermore, it is interpreted that this process is executed by a CPU coupled to a memory unit as described above in claims **12, 13 and 14**, thereby being "...a method of machine executing...". It is inherent that the CPU is coupled to the memory unit, as the invention would be ineffective if not performed by a computer with a memory unit.

Ogawa and Subramanian are analogous art because they are both concerned with the same field of endeavor of optimizing programs including loops. Therefore, at the time of the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's teachings of a "computer readable storage media", thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Thus, it would have been obvious to combine Subramanian's method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions with Ogawa's Compiler Program.

- 14. In regard to claim 17, claim 17 is met by the above disclosure presented in claim16. Claim 17 is broader in the perspective that it does not have an internal recursive entry point.
- 15. Claim **9** is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Ogawa** and **Subramanian** as applied to claim **5** above, and further in view of **Ogawa**.

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16. In regard to claim **9**, **Ogawa** and **Subramanian** disclose the method of claim **5** as disclosed above. But, in claim **5**, they do not expressly disclose "... of a recursive sequence of instructions.". However, **Ogawa** discloses "... of a recursive sequence of instructions.", as discussed in claim **3** above.

- 17. Claim 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23 and 24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ogawa and Subramanian as applied to claim 6, 7, 8, and 9 above, and claim 10 below, and further in view of Subramanian.
- 18. In regard to claim **10**, **Ogawa** and **Subramanian** disclose the method of claim **6** as disclosed above. But **Ogawa** does not expressly disclose "A computer readable storage media having computer readable code physically implementing a method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions…". However, **Subramanian** discloses the above limitation (E.g., See Fig. 1 & Col. 8, lines 33-42), as stated above, where the embodiment of the invention is a method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions, (E.g., See Col. 4, lines 48-57).

Ogawa and Subramanian are analogous art because they are both concerned with the same field of endeavor of optimizing programs including loops. Therefore, at the time of the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's teachings of a "computer readable storage media", thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine Subramanian's method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions with Ogawa's Compiler Program.

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- 19. In regard to claim 11, Ogawa and Subramanian disclose the method of claim 7 as disclosed above. But in claim 7, they do not expressly disclose "...at least one processing unit coupled to said computer readable storage media...including at lest one volatile and non-volatile memory". However, Subramanian discloses, "...at least one processing unit coupled to said computer readable storage media...", (E.g., See Fig. 1 & Col. 8, lines 33-42), where the "CPU" is interpreted as coupled to the stated "CD-ROM medium that typically contains programs". The CD-ROM medium is a non-volatile memory. Furthermore, Subramanian discloses "...volatile memory", (E.g., See Col. 14, lines 42-46). Therefore, at the time of the invention was made it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's teachings of a "computer system" to implement the method, thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine Subramanian's method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions with Ogawa's Compiler Program.
- 20. In regard to claim **12**, **Ogawa** and **Subramanian** disclose the method of claim **8** as disclosed above. But in claim **8**, they do not expressly disclose "...at least one processing unit coupled to said computer readable storage media...*including at lest one volatile and non-volatile memory"*. However, **Subramanian** discloses, "...at least one processing unit coupled to said computer readable storage media...", (E.g., See Fig. 1 & Col. 8, lines 33-42), where the "CPU" is interpreted as coupled to the stated "CD-ROM medium that typically contains programs". The CD-ROM medium is a non-volatile memory. **Subramanian** further discloses "...volatile memory", (E.g., See Col. 14, lines

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- 42-46). Therefore, at the time of the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify **Ogawa's** compiler with **Subramanian's** teachings of a "computer system" to implement the method, thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Subramanian's** method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions with **Ogawa's** Compiler Program.
- 21. In regard to claim 13, Ogawa and Subramanian disclose the method of claim 9 as disclosed above. But in claim 9, they do not expressly disclose "....at least one processing unit coupled to said computer readable storage media...including at lest one volatile and non-volatile memory". However, Subramanian discloses, "...at least one processing unit coupled to said computer readable storage media...", (E.g., See Fig. 1 & Col. 8, lines 33-42), where the "CPU" is interpreted as coupled to the stated "CD-ROM medium that typically contains programs". The CD-ROM medium is a non-volatile memory. Furthermore, Subramanian discloses "...volatile memory", (E.g., See Col. 14, lines 42-46). Therefore, at the time of the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's teachings of a "computer system" to implement the method, thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Thus, it would have been obvious to combine Subramanian's method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions with Ogawa's Compiler Program.
- 22. In regard to claim **14**, **Ogawa** and **Subramanian** disclose the method of claim **10** as disclosed above. But in claim **10**, they do not expressly disclose "... at least one

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processing unit coupled to said computer readable storage media...including at lest one volatile and non-volatile memory". However, Subramanian discloses, "... at least one processing unit coupled to said computer readable storage media...", (E.g., See Fig. 1 & Col. 8, lines 33-42), where the "CPU" is interpreted as coupled to the stated "CD-ROM medium that typically contains programs". The CD-ROM medium is a non-volatile memory. Furthermore, Subramanian discloses "...volatile memory", (E.g., See Col. 14, lines 42-46). Therefore, at the time of the invention was made it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's teachings of a "computer system" to implement the method, thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine Subramanian's method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions with Ogawa's Compiler Program.

23. In regard to claims 18, 19 and 20 Ogawa and Subramanian disclose the method of claim 17 as disclosed above. But in claim 17, they do not expressly disclose "... wherein all of said steps are included within a step of storing a program" or "...within a step of transmitting a program.", or "...within a step of receiving...". However, Subramanian discloses "... at least one processing unit coupled to said computer readable storage media...", (E.g., See Fig. 1 & Col. 8, lines 33-42), where the "CPU" is interpreted as coupled to the "CD-ROM medium that typically contains programs", since a processor is required to make the program effectively operable. The CD-ROM medium is a non-volatile memory. Furthermore, Subramanian discloses "...volatile memory", (E.g., See Col. 14, lines 42-46). In either case, the act of the CPU executing

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an instruction to store the program from volatile to non-volatile memory is well known by those in the programming art. Thus, meeting the further limitation of "...wherein all of said steps are included within a step of storing a program" or "...within transmitting a program", or "...receiving the program.", the data of the program instructions being transmitted via the data-bus via direction from the CPU and furthermore, the act of the memory receiving the program from the data-bus. Therefore, at the time of the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's teachings of a "computer system" to implement the method, thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Thus, it would have been obvious to combine Subramanian's method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions via a computer system with Ogawa's Compiler Program.

24. In regard to claims 21 and 22, Ogawa and Subramanian disclose the method of claim 17 as disclosed above in claim 17. But in claim 17, they do not expressly disclose "... wherein all of said steps are included with a step of executing a program or "... wherein all of said steps are included within a step of machine modifying a program." However, Subramanian additionally discloses the above limitations, (E.g., See Col. 14, lines 42-46). In either case, the act of the CPU executing an instruction to compile the program from volatile or non-volatile memory is well known by those in the programming art as modifying, (via compiling), and executing the program, (performing the steps of the process via CPU). Thus, meeting the further limitation of "... wherein all of said steps are included within a step of executing a program", or "... within a step of

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machine modifying a program.". Therefore, at the time of the invention was made it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify **Ogawa's** compiler with **Subramanian's** teachings of a "computer system" to implement the method, thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Subramanian's** method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions via a computer system with **Ogawa's** Compiler Program.

25. In regard to claim **23**, **Ogawa** and **Subramanian** disclose the method of claim **6** as disclosed above. But **Ogawa** does not expressly disclose "... comprising a storage media;...". However, **Subramanian** discloses "... comprising a storage media;...", (E.g., See Fig. 1 & Col. 8, lines 33-42), as stated above, where the CD-ROM medium is a storage media.

Ogawa and Subramanian are analogous art because they are both concerned with the same field of endeavor of optimizing programs including loops. Therefore, at the time of the invention was made it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's teachings of a "computer readable storage media", thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine Subramanian's method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions with Ogawa's Compiler Program.

26. In regard to claim 24, Ogawa and Subramanian disclose the method of claim 23 as disclosed above. But Ogawa and Subramanian do not expressly disclose "... said means for rescheduling providing internal recursive access between an entry point and an exit point of the sequence of instructions...". However, Subramanian further

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discloses "... said means for rescheduling providing internal recursive access between an entry point and an exit point of the sequence of instructions...", (E.g., See Fig. 5b & Col. 11, lines 29-42), where the hoisted loop-invariant instructions are executed in the prologue. It is noted that the prologue is the entry point from the external access, thereby, re-arranging or rescheduling the one instruction closer in sequence of execution to one of the external access points.

Ogawa and Subramanian are analogous art because they are both concerned with the same field of endeavor of optimizing programs including loops. Therefore, at the time of the invention was made it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ogawa's compiler with Subramanian's teachings of a "computer readable storage media", thus improving execution speed and efficiency. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine Subramanian's method of improving execution performance of a sequence of instructions with Ogawa's Compiler Program.

### Conclusion

27. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Odani et al, Patent No. US 6,243,864 B1.

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